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SUMMARY: REFS A AND C REPORTED 150,000 BBL/DAY EXPORT REFINERY PROJECT PROPOSED FOR QATAR. REFTEL B REPORTED THAT CAPACITY OF REFINERY WAS REDUCED TO 80,000 BBL/DAY AND THAT INVITATIONS TO BID WERE EXPECTED TO BE ISSUED IN THREE MONTHS (OR SEPT 76). UNCLASSIFIED

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FOLLOWING NUMBERED PARAGRAPHS CONSTITUTE UPDATE ON STATUS OF PROJECT.

1. CAPACITY OF PROPOSED REFINERY HAS NOW BEEN FURTHER REDUCED TO 50,000 BBL/DAY. PRODUCTION PLANNED TO MEET QATARI INTERNAL NEEDS BASED ON PROJECTIONS OF THOSE NEEDS TO YEAR 2000. IN INTERVENING YEARS EXCESS PRODUCTION WOULD BE EXPORTED.

- 2. FIRMS ARE NOW IN PROCESS OF PRE-QUALIFICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PROJECT. ONLY US COMPANY OF WHICH EMBASSY AWARE WHICH HAS ATTEMPTED TO PRE-QUALIFY IS PROCON MIDDLE EAST, INC., A SUBSIDIARY OF UOP INC OF DES PLAINES, ILL. PARENT COMPANY, UOP, DID MARKET SURVEY FOR PROJECT. WE UNDERSTAND JAPANESE AND ITALIAN FIRMS ALSO KEENLY INTERESTED IN PROJECT WHOSE ESTIMATED COST IS \$150 MILLION.
- 3. CONSULTANT ON PROJECT IS KELLOGG. KELLOGG NOW PREPARING TENDER DOCUMENTS.
- 4. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED THAT THERE MAY BE ADMINISTRATIVE DELAY IN ISSUANCE OF TENDER DOCUMENTS SINCE LINE ITEM FOR REFINERY IN CURRENT BUDGET STILL TO BE ESTABLISHED. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THIS WILL BE DONE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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